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REMARKS

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- ☐ 1. Between 4 and 7 June 1953, about 20 jet planes were observed at Parndorf (I 48/X 77) airfield.¹ The aircraft made practice flights, taking off individually, in elements of two and in formations of four planes side-by-side. It was repeatedly observed that several groups of four planes took off in succession and assembled in formation in the air. Occasionally, approach runs on a target sleeve were made.
- ☐ 2. Three AA guns were emplaced in the southeastern corner of the field. A mast, about 10 meters high, was observed on the eastern edge of the field outside the landing field. In the eastern section of the field there were tents which apparently housed an air force construction detail which was engaged in excavating a large pit. Source notices that the dug-out sand and stones were not being hauled away.
- ☐ 3. Aircraft observed at the field between 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on 8 June included 15 MiG-15s parked in two separate groups, 2 single-engine planes with radial engine, and 1 Pe-2 which apparently was damaged.¹ No air activity was observed. There was a 7/10 overcast, a light westerly wind of 10 km/h and good visibility. Between the two groups of MiG-15s there was space for another 10 planes. A small crate and a small ladder were observed at the side of each plane. Nine to 10 such crates and 25X1 ladders were located at regular intervals between the two MiG-15 groups.²

5. Buildings newly erected at the airfield included a garage shed near the railroad station and the bare structure of a temporary building near the flight control station. Southwest of the garage sheds there was a small fenced-in site on which a hut was being erected. There were also two Moskvich van-like trucks with raised

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side walls. On the right side of one truck was a hose which hung to the ground and possibly extended to an underground fuel dump.

6. The following observations were made near Parndorf railroad station: about 500 meters east of the railroad station, there was an unoccupied ammunition emplacement with three intact bunkers nearby. About 700 meters east of the railroad station, there were 12 small tents and 1 large tent, 3 Stalin-type tractors, several plows and small rollers. A pit, about 5 x 10 meters, was covered with a roof. Three soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were unloading sacks, apparently full of cement, from a truck. About 250 meters east of the point where a rail track branched off to Kittsee (P 49/X 98) and about 250 meters north of the railroad line to Zurndorf (P 48/X 97), there was an antenna mast with a cone-shaped bracing and two wooden huts. About 2.5 km east of the same intersection and north of the railroad line to Zurndorf, was another antenna mast with a cone-shaped bracing, 2 wooden cabins, 1 truck and 1 van-like truck. This antenna mast was higher than the aforementioned one.³

7. Between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. on 9 July, source observed that sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were posted at the old komandatura in Bruck-Leitha (P 49/X 77) military post. [redacted]

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- 25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. Parndorf airfield is occupied by a Soviet fighter regiment.

- 25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. The small crates observed at the side of the MiG-15s probably are tool boxes for maintenance work. It is possible that a special maintenance is performed on all MiG-15s.

- 25X1A 3. [redacted] Comment. The two antennas belong to the inner and outer low frequency landing beacons.

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